

## REMARKS

I. Status of the Application

Claims 1-20 are pending in this application. In the April 22, 2005 office action, the

Examiner:

- A. Allowed claims 1-16;
- B. Objected to claim 17 because of an informality;
- C. Rejected claims 17-20 under 35 U.S.C. § 102(b) as allegedly being anticipated by U.S. Patent No. 5,681,765 to Darmawan (hereinafter "Darmawan").

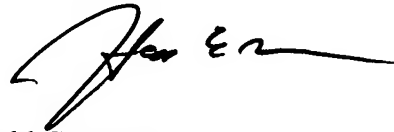
In this response, applicants have canceled claims 17-20, without prejudice.

Accordingly, the objection to claim 17 and the rejections of claims 17-20 are moot. It is therefore respectfully submitted that the application is in a condition for allowance.

## II. Conclusion

For all of the foregoing reasons, it is respectfully submitted the applicants have made a patentable contribution to the art. Favorable reconsideration and allowance of this application is, therefore, respectfully requested.

Respectfully submitted,

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